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Attorney Docket No. 1020843-991180

First Inventor Walter Winkler

Title PICKING APPARATUS

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. Specification [Total Pages 16]
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- Descriptive title of the invention
- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings(if filed)
- Detailed description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 11]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]

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(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)

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6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76.

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- ii. paper

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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))

10. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney (when there is an assignee)

11. English Translation Document (if applicable)

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
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Enclosed are:

- 11] Pages of specification
- 4] Pages of claims
- 1] Page of abstract
- 11] Sheets of informal drawings
-] Pages of Preliminary Amendment
- 3] Pages of Declaration and Power of Attorney (unsigned)
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127	50	227	25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130 Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55 Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195 Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445 Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695 Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945 Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155 Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135 Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	11	0240	55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
142	1,240	242	620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220 Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300 Plant issue fee	
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146	710	246	355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
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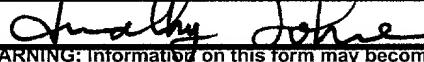
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